

**TOWN OF NEWFIELDS SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY MARCH 1, 2022**

At 6:45 pm, The Select Board, by motion of Select Board Member Sununu, seconded by Select Board Member Coes and in accordance with RSA91-A:3 (II) (b), to enter into a non-public session for purpose of personnel matter – Police [RSA91-A3(II)(b)].

A motion to leave non-public session was made by Select Board Member Sununu and seconded by Select Board Member Coes. The motion was passed and at 6:59 a public session reconvened.

Select Board Present: Betsy Coes, Jacquelyn Silvani & Michael Sununu

Others Include: Arlon Chaffee, Bobby Kelly & Chief Young

Call to order at 7:02 pm.

The Select Board reviewed and approved the following items:

Checks Dated	02/25/22:	Accounts Payable Manifest	\$29,144.28
Checks Dated	02/28/22:	Accounts Payable Manifest	\$ 8,766.96

Arlon Chaffee came in as a follow-up to the November 9th Select Board meeting regarding the Rockingham Junction parking project. He provided the Board with the letter to submit to the Bureau of Rail & Transit stating that the Town will be responsible for the following maintenance and administrative items:

- Provision of a certificate of insurance acceptable to state parties.
- Trash - suggest the currently in-place user carry-in, carry-out approach be continued as it is working well. This could be revisited in the future, as needed. On-site receptacles would only invite overfilling and other unwanted dumping.
- Grading, surface, and drainage repairs, when necessary.
- Town enforcement and/or patrol.
- Brushing, mowing, and plowing - will be done by the local snowmobile club through Trails Bureau's Grant-in-Aid program.

The Board received letters from the Conservation Commission to approve and send to the abutters of Vernon Farm. During the monitoring of the conservation portion of the Vernon property, debris, and a portion of one abutter's driveway was found to be on the conservation easement. Since one of the letters requested an abutter remove part of their driveway, Michael felt it best to hold off in sending out the letter and provide an opportunity for the resident to discuss the issue and ensure that it is a true encroachment prior to removing the paved area. Jacqui and Betsy believed it to be cut and dry; the pavement is on the conservation so it should be removed as it's a violation. They believed it would be a waste of time. Jacqui stated that if it were an issue for the resident, the letter

would provide a motivation for them to come before the Board. Betsy agreed. Jacqui motioned, seconded by Betsy, to sign and mail the letters. Michael opposed. The motion carried.

Phyllis Mackey asked the Board for approval to organize a roadside Spring cleanup on April 23rd with rain date of April 24th. Phyllis explained that it would work the same as last year, with volunteers assigned a road to clean. Jacqui will reach out to the Conservation Commission to see if any roads need more targeted cleaning. Michael motioned, seconded by Betsy, to approve the event. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Michael informed the Board that the person he knew at Hutchinson Sealing is no longer there but asked Nurture & Nature to continue to keep the Board up to date.

Michael motioned, seconded by Jacqui to approve Deertrees' Town Hall rental request for 3/16/22. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The Board reviewed February's Revenues and Expenditures.

Jacqui mentioned that cardboard recycling has saved the Town approximately \$4,095 this past year.

Michael requested to meet with the Road Agent at the next Board meeting regarding the road salt.

Michael motioned, seconded by Jacqui, to approve the Deliberative Session Minutes as drafted, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Michael motioned, seconded by Jacqui to approve the 2/15/22 Select Board Meeting Minutes as amended. All were in favor and the motion carried.

At 7:30 pm, Michael motioned, seconded by Betsy, to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kisha Therrien